

CHALLENGES AND CHOICES IN ASIA

Thursday, September 18, 2008, 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Johns Hopkins University, SAIS, Kenney Auditorium

1740 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.,

Washington, D.C.

- 8:00 a.m. Registration
- 8:30 a.m. **OPENING REMARKS** (10 min)
≈ David M. Lampton, Dean of Faculty and Director of China Studies, SAIS
≈ Richard J. Ellings, President, The National Bureau of Asian Research
- 8:40 a.m. **U.S. POWER IN ASIA**
Overview: Key Issues Facing U.S. Policy
≈ Ashley J. Tellis, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

The United States and Asia
≈ Richard K. Betts, Columbia University
- 9:10 a.m. **CHINA AND JAPAN**
Managing China as a Strategic Challenge
≈ Michael D. Swaine, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Japan: Divided Government, Diminished Returns
≈ Sheila Smith, Council on Foreign Relations
- 9:40 a.m. **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**
≈ Senator Chuck Hagel
- 10:15 a.m. **RUSSIA AND INDIA**
Mind the Gap: Russian Ambitions vs. Russian Reality
≈ Eugene B. Rumer, National Defense University

Partnering with India: Regional Power, Global Hopes
≈ Teresita C. Schaffer, Center for Strategic and International Studies
- 10:45 a.m. **Q&A WITH AUDIENCE**
- 11:15 a.m. **CONCLUDING REMARKS**
≈ Richard J. Ellings, President, The National Bureau of Asian Research
- 11:30 a.m. Adjourn

These presentations are based on NBR's recently published volume *Strategic Asia 2008–09: Challenges and Choices*, edited by Ashley J. Tellis, Mercy Kuo, and Andrew Marble, which assesses the major strategic choices on Asia facing the new U.S. president and administration, and more broadly, the policy community. The volume evaluates the transformations that have occurred in Asia over the last eight years as a result of U.S. policies and other international and domestic political developments, examines the major policy challenges and opportunities in Asia for the next U.S. administration, and provides policy recommendations.